#### REMARKS

#### Claims

The original specification as filed had 10 claims, some of which had multiple dependency. The claims 1-7, and 10 have been amended herein and new claims 11-26 have been added herein to get rid of the multiple dependencies and to clarify the form of the claims. No new matter has been introduced by these claim amendments.

# **Literal English Translation**

Since the specification as filed was filed in the German language, a literal English translation of the specification as filed is provided herewith as part of the missing parts.

### **Substitute Specification**

The applicant invokes 37 CFR 1.125, allowing use of a substitute specification, so that the Examiner has a clean copy of the English translation of the specification as filed for work purposes, and since the literal English translation lacks headings and paragraph numbering. No changes to the specification other than paragraph numbering and the addition of headings has been made in the substitute specification. No new matter has been introduced in the substitute specification. A marked-up specification is also provided, indicating the changes that have been made to the literal English translation.

### Assignment

An executed Assignment is being provided herewith along with the missing parts.

# **Information Disclosure Statement**

An information disclosure statement is provided herewith along with the missing parts.

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# **Foreign Priority Document**

The foreign priority document is provided herewith along with the missing parts.

# **Formal Drawings**

Formal drawings are provided herewith as part of the missing parts.

In view of the foregoing arguments the applicant submits that the claims are in a condition to permit allowance. Therefore the applicant requests early and favorable disposition of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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